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FM AMEMBASSY PORT OF SPAIN
TO SECSTATE WASHDC PRIORITY 1266

C O N F I D E N T I A L PORT OF SPAIN 2716

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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PBOR/PN
SUBJECT: PANAMA CANAL TREATY

1. THERE HAVE BEEN NO (RPT NO) HIGH LEVEL GOTT REACTIONS--
PRIVATE OR PUBLIC--TO NEW CANAL TREATY, NOR HAS THERE
BEEN ANY SIGNIFICANT SPECULATION HERE ABOUT POSSIBLE
EFFECTS OF A FAILURE OF SENATE TO RATIFY AGREEMENT.

2. MY ESTIMATE AT THIS POINT IS THAT A FAILURE TO
RATIFY WOULD UNDOUBTEDLY DRAW STRONG CRITICISM FROM
MEDIA, AND CONFIRM LONGSTANDING FEELINGS OF PM WILLIAMS
AND OTHER PUBLIC OPINION MAKERS HERE THAT DESPITE OUR
PROTESTATIONS TO CONTRARY, US SOCIETY IS STILL DOMINATED
BY RACIST/IMPERIALIST FORCES WHICH ARE UNWILLING TO
GRANT BASIC CONCESSIONS TO "THIRD WORLD" COUNTRIES AND
PEOPLES. THE EFFECT OF US-TRINIDADIAN BILATERAL INTERESTS
WOULD DEPAND ON OUR PROGRESS IN DEVELOPING PROGRAMS FOR
CARIBBEAN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

3. EMBASSY WILL REPORT ANY SIGNIFICANT REACTIONS SHOULD
THEY OCCUR IN THE FUTURE.
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